Appl. No.: 10/695,958

In re Allmandinger, T. et al.

**REMARKS** 

Applicant respectfully submits herewith a preliminary amendment intended to place the

instant application in better condition for examination on the merits.

Claims 1-3 and 10-13 have been amended to better define the present invention. No new

matter has been entered.

New claims 18 and 19 have been added.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-19 define the invention over the prior art of record

and are in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would

expedite prosecution they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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